Globus Online – a Discussion

Virtual Organizations (LQCD, Cosmology, OSG) use Of GO for "one time transfer" of files point to point between offsite and onsite storage.

- DMS is expending effort to support dCache and Enstore end points (this is work); they are in contact with the Service Provider – GO. There is no OLA/expectation of service from the Service Provider.
- HPC is expending effort supporting their users file transfers and working with DMS to get the service to work well. (it is Not just GridFTP?)
- GCC is expending effort on supporting services (Myproxy) and support for Grid users file transfers as part of local and OSG project user support.

The questions I would raise are

- Should GO be considered by IF
- Do we recommend the use of GO in some, all, no circumstances?
- Is support for GO a scientific service offering?
- When, or whether, we should be exploring an OLA in the future?

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